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ON NOT GOING HOME.

A contributor to the Singapore Free
Press writes:—

There is no question that 1924 is going to be known as the year in which nearly everybody went on leave. It is a position which is not likely to recur again; for this year those who went on leave just after the War are again due, while those who came out on the four year's basis are also due. This article sums up the feelings of those who, like the writer, will be compelled to remain in Malaya during 1924.

And what is the position? Does one really wish to go home? Think of the infinite disadvantages. First of all you must have a sale, and this year of all years will be bad for that, as more people will be selling up than ever before. Then there is the packing! Oh the nightmare of it—and the thought of warm clothes when one is already—

Again one always feels sad at leaving any place, and familiar objects begin to convey a great interest to us. Our "boy" becomes more solicitous and one thinks of the servant problem at home! The cherry faces of the riksha pullers will perform have to give way to the surly looks, perhaps, of the taxi drivers; and in England will one be able to afford a car or even to travel first class? There is no doubt that four years of life out here with all its disadvantages does bring one up with a distinct shock when it is a question of facing the rigours of Home once more. The writer has met people on leave, who have said that they have no wish to live in modern England—so great a change did they notice since the War.

Then there is the question of strikes to be faced, and the difficulty, particularly this year, of securing accommodation anywhere. London will obviously be impossible and yet how can one go on leave and not visit London? Those who are fortunate enough to have homes to go to may not suffer so much, but the prospects of Hotel accommodation almost anywhere are not very rosy. And what of the voyage? That, too, is a problem to be faced. Every ship is crowded and the few weeks may well give the whole holiday a bad flavour.

I had written thus far when a voice whispered in my ear: "When are you due for leave?" "Never mind," I replied gloomily. The voice continued: "What would you say to a special interim leave of three months—giving you some five weeks at home?" Before I could get so far as clinching matters, and though I listened intently, nothing further was vouchsafed, but the incident has led to a whole new train of thought.

Five weeks in England—say in May! Oh! how good the prospect seemed, though I should miss the Promenade Concerts. "Never Mind!" There is "Hassan" and a whole score of plays I want to see. Then there is the British National Opera Company; and "probably by getting" The "Ere" one could track the Gilbert and Sullivan Touring Company to their lair. Wembley, if one had no time to get bored with it, would be ideal—and I should love to see some of the larger Palaces. But first of all, think of Lord's and the South African tour, and a Test Match! Oh to be in England! My mind had ruminated thus far when again I heard the voice: "But, my dear Sir, what about the servant problem; and the grumpy faces of the taxi-drivers; and having no car of your own; and having to travel 3rd class; and being squeezed for accommodation? There was no hesitation in my reply: "These things don't frighten me. And they hardly matter when it is only a question of a few weeks."

And this leads me on to review the whole problem of leave as it is enforced at the present time. We have definitely as this matter set up a different standard from the Dutch, but is our own procedure entirely wise? The ordinary Government official (and in consequence many employers have followed the lead) serves for four years and then gets eight months leave. If he goes home and returns by the shortest way he will have some six months at home. It will be conceded that leave for health recuperative purposes is absolutely necessary; but is not four years too long—and is not eight months too much? Personally I am quite sure that while we maintain our system—the very antithesis of that in force in Java—we should give short leave every two years. Of course the cry will immediately be made: "How could people afford such an expensive trip so often?" And would not their business be entirely disorganised? As a answer is the passage will become cheaper as demand and competition increase; and that it is no worse to leave your job after two hard and fit years of work than after four rather listless years. We must realise that our system of trying to have it both ways is bound to lead to difficulties. Either we should really keep in touch with the home-land, our wives and families, by frequent—if short—visits; or we should make Malaya a white man's and woman's country. At present our policy is halting so that we have all the disadvantages of both schemes. We neither live here nor have we a permanent abiding place at home; and we are separated from our families most of the time. Our friends change so much in four years that we are bound to lose them, and are under the necessity of seeking fresh acquaintances each visit home.

Of course, looking into the future, one discerns a small cloud of hope which may soon ease to be as small as a man's hand—the Burzee Airship Scheme. When it is possible to reach London from Singapore in 10 days, it will be possible to have two months' leave a year—or less—and really keep in touch. We should all pray for the success of this scheme and its acceleration.

NONDUM.

SAYINGS OF A WEEK

Christian 'dealism is not nearly so much opposed.—*Dean Inge*.

There is a fallacy in the idea that health is a matter of feeling well.—*Dr. Edwin L. Ash*.

Conservatism is deserving of a nobler role than the mere defence of wealth.—*Lord Medford*.

I should like to see a Capital Levy in order to make it a bit easier for rich men to get into the kingdom of Heaven.—*Mr. Robert Smillie*.

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If we are idealists we are not idiots.—
Mr. Sidney Webb.

The worst of life is that it has a very obscure plot.—Mr. Robert Lynd.

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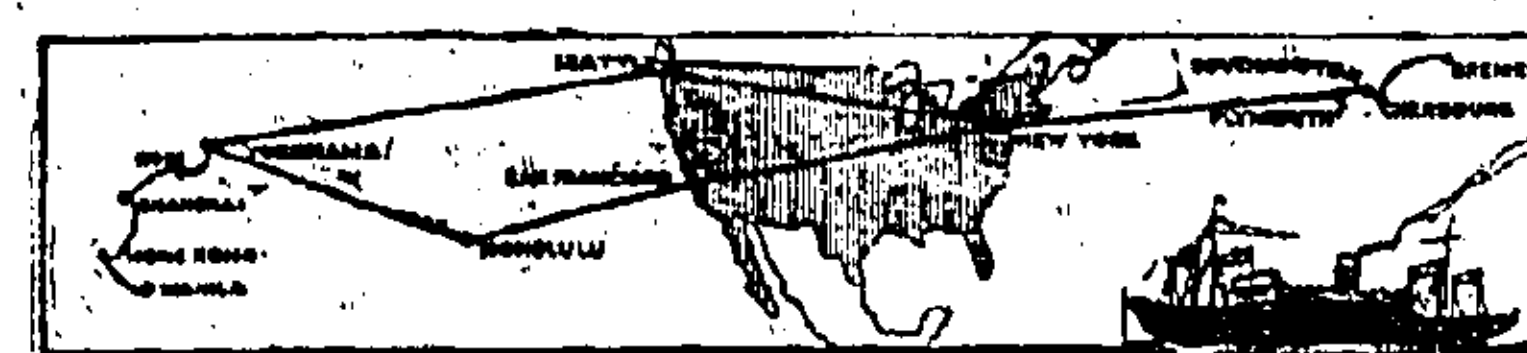
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THE CHINESE PARLIAMENT

A PLEA FOR ITS REORGANISATION.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, (now in Europe) former Premier and Minister of Justice of the Sun Pao-chi Cabinet, has sent us the following interesting message from The Hague about the incapacity and uselessness of the Chinese Parliament and the necessity for complete reorganization:

It is an undeniable fact that the M. P.'s have effected a close alliance with the members of corrupt officialdom. Most of the men of brains and of integrity, who have stayed away from the officialdom, disapprove and despise the actions of these so-called Representatives of the people. Dr. Wang is of the opinion that since the representative system does not suit the Chinese nation, it must be thoroughly reorganized.

When M.P.'s were first elected, they did make some endeavour to perform their duties faithfully, but gradually corruption crept in. Another reason for the reorganization of Parliament is that it is too expensive to maintain in its present form.

As it is feared that immediate abolition cannot be effected, Dr. Wang has proposed the following improvement of the Parliamentary system.

1. M.P.'s should be elected from among men of the various industrial or commercial associations.
2. The number of M.P.'s should be reduced, and should not exceed 500 men for both Houses.
3. The qualifications of M.P.'s should be modified, that is, now but graduates of high technical colleges and universities should be eligible.
4. The age of eligibility for election should at least be 35. The age limit for the present Parliament is from 25 upwards, and it is impossible for a young man 25 years old to sit in Parliament to discuss the important affairs of the nation.
5. A special court should be established, as was done in the time of Yuan Shih-kai, for Government officials, and for the control of the actions of M.P.'s, whose conduct may be investigated there, where ever there is complaint against them, but provisions must be made to guard against Government interference.

Dr. Wang expresses surprise at the dealings between the M.P.'s and the military. When the Two Houses were formed it was believed that they would represent reasonable public opinion by demanding the reduction of troops all over the country, but not a single word has since been uttered on behalf of the people. What they have been doing is to hunt for fat jobs and to seek for bribes. Indeed the President and the Cabinet have not dared to raise a cry for the reduction of troops, but it is the duty of M.P.'s to fight for the people. Therefore their actions are highly unsatisfactory.

SYNDICATE OF SMUGGLERS?

In a case which came before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at Yau-mat Police Court yesterday, when a Chinese was charged with the unlawful possession of arms, Inspector T. Murphy asked for a remand. The accused, he said, appeared to be a carrier for a smuggling syndicate. His Worship remanded the man until the 29th inst.

NOMADS OF THE NORTH

This evening's Coronet Theatre feature, "Nomads of the North," is based on the novel by James Oliver Curwood. Besides the very dramatic story, there are several features which should be mentioned—namely the filming of many wild animals and the great forest fire. One of the highest moments in the picture is a deadly struggle between a bear and a man, while even more thrilling is the anxious flight of three people from the flames. The story is woven round the lives of a handsome Northern trapper and a beautiful orphan who have not only to struggle against the adversity of Nature before they can reach happiness, but who have also to overcome the machinations of evil-doers who are plotting their ruin. Thus it is that after battling through the terrible forest fire they had still to face the terrors of the law in the person of a very capable North-West Mounted Police officer. However, a great climax comes to reward their courage and incidentally to round off a very exciting picture. Among the well-known players in this picture are Lon Chaney, Lewis Stone and Betty Blythe.

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O. E.

A WORLD FAIR FOR SHANGHAI.

AN AMBITIOUS SCHEME TO BE CONSIDERED.

A year ago Mr. G. A. Bena raised the question of holding a world exhibition in Shanghai. The project was not then taken up by public bodies, the N. C. Daily News says, owing to the political conditions, including the Linchew incident, then under the purview of the public, but it is understood that Mr. Bena has once more approached the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce with a request that all interests in Shanghai should be summoned to a meeting to consider the matter. In an interesting brochure on the subject Mr. Bena puts forward the following reasons for the holding of such an exhibition:

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"LADY" BANDITS.

CAPTIVES FORCED INTO MARRIAGE.

LEAP YEAR IN HONAN.

PEKING, April 17th. According to police reports, women bandits have been discovered beyond Chu Hien, along the Peking-Hankow Railway and picked soldiers have been sent to disperse and arrest them by the Honan authorities. Women bandits are nearly all young and rough country "ladies" between 20 and 30 years of age.

They are even more cruel and heartless in the treatment of their captives than the men bandits in interior districts. The female "Tu-fei" dress themselves in men's clothes and are armed with modern pistols or iron clubs. In a recent raid near the suburb of Chu Hien, they carried away many young men of rich families for ransom. But some of the young captives were forced, under penalty of immediate death, to marry the female bandits, and thus, they become "Tu-fei" leaders.

Our Kaifeng correspondent reports that for the sake of \$1 or even 100 coppers, people have been stashed to death by natives just a few miles outside Kaifeng city gate and consequently, the deplorable condition of the majority of the natives of Honan can be imagined.

FENGTIEN & CHIHUI.

THE PRICE OF PEACE.

The perpetual discussion of a rapprochement between Fengtien and Chihui seems to have taken a very definite turn according to Chinese reports. The Chihui party mediators now in Mukden are credited with reporting to Peking that Marshal Chang Tso-lin would be willing to "bury the hatchet" if the Chihui party would reimburse him \$30,000,000, being the sum it cost him to wage his unsuccessful war against them two years ago. Stipulated in that itemized bill of lost equipment are reported to be eleven large guns, 34,000 rifles, 2,000 revolvers, sixty-five machine guns and three million dollars' worth of rolling stock, and engineering equipment.

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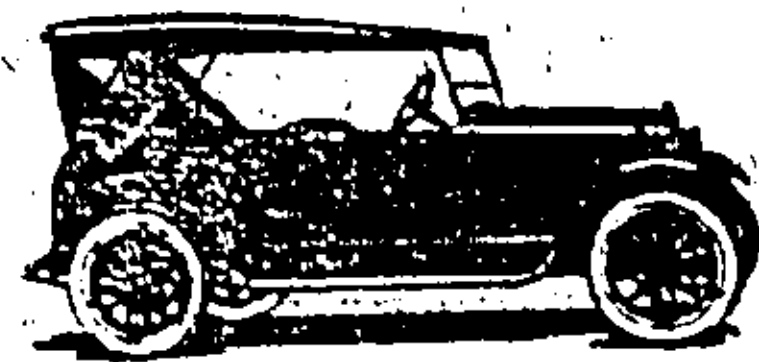


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THE CHINESE Y.W.C.A. HONGKONG. ANNUAL REPORT.

From the annual report of the Chinese Young Women's Christian Association of Hongkong we extract the following items:

MEMBERSHIP.—While the emphasis of membership is not on numbers we are glad to report an increase this year. Our members number now 289, more than double the number when we organized four years ago. Our membership committee have done faithful work throughout the year in making regular calls on the members and we hope this plan meets with the approval of all as it seems a most satisfactory way to make sure that all those who are members are kept in touch with the life of the Association.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.—While the religious purpose underlies all the work of the Association, a Religious Work Committee of ten women are responsible for the planning of devotional meetings and Bible classes, for we realize that definite knowledge of the Bible must be the foundation of all our work. During the year we have had 17 devotional meetings with an average attendance of 42, and two special meetings on Republic Day and during the Week of Prayer, which were largely attended.

We are glad to report the best year we have had as to numbers and interest shown in Bible Study. There have been ten classes with a total enrolment of 105. It may be of interest to know that the numbers of Christians and non-Christians are about equal. While the influence of this direct religious teaching is impossible to calculate, we do know that during the year nine of our members have become Christians, and two of these have already united with the church by baptism. In the spring we had a visit from one of our National Secretaries who conducted two courses of Bible Study each morning for a week with an average attendance of seventy, and the following week did considerable work with students in the schools and at the Association.

EDUCATIONAL WORK.—During the year regular classes have been carried on in English, Chinese, Mandarin, Home Nursing, Chinese and Western cooking, and Piano, with a total enrolment of 150. We are grateful for the help for Mrs. Fok, Miss Beatrice Lam, Miss Kamail, Cheuk Sin Shaang, Mr. Pao, Mrs. Chan, Mrs. Shellhead, Miss Rose Wong, Miss Julia Wong, and to the cook, A. Kait, who is well known to the members of the Chinese cooking class. We have had in all under this department lectures on various subjects of educational value, with an average attendance of 51.

Our Children's Health Conference, which has aroused considerable interest during the year, is part of our programme of health education. Clinics are held each Thursday morning, in a room lent us by the Y.M.C.A. and in our own rooms here, where the children are weighed, measured, and examined by the doctor, the object being to keep children well rather than treat those who are ill and to give the mothers the opportunity of learning facts with regard to the care of their children. We have had fifty babies on the roll, forty of whom have been coming for longer than three months.

Two babies have come 35 times out of a possible 35. One baby 31 times out of 32 and one, 45 times out of 53. Many of the other attendance records are almost as good.

Our Children's Health Conference, which was held the last four days of February brought to the Association a great many mothers who had not come before and we feel sure that many will see the value of bringing their children regularly for help and advice on Thursday mornings. During the days of the conference, there was an average attendance of ninety adults at the lectures and demonstrations. We should like to record our hearty appreciation of the work done by the doctors and nurses who gave help so unsparingly, at that time, and especially to Dr. S. To Wong who has given most liberally of his time.

SOCIAL.—The activities arranged by the social committee consist of social gatherings with music and games at the Association, luncheon parties and walks. There have been twelve gatherings in all with a total attendance of 1,689, including 800 at our Christmas entertainment. We feel that these not only help our members and others to enlarge their circle of friends but also provide a means of drawing women into other parts of the Association life, and in many cases giving them opportunities for service.

HOSTEL.—The Hotel accommodation is not all that we should like, but we have but at the same time have we feel, done much to meet a real need. During the year we have had 37 guests whose length of stay has ranged from one night to six weeks. The summer is always the time when the hostel is most in demand. A Canton student who came to Hongkong for a month's study of music and English, three Hongkong students, school girls, whose parents were afraid to allow them to travel to their homes in Formosa, four other school girls from Canton for a short time, and two Europeans stranded for a night during a typhoon, make up the list of our summer guests. Camp beds in the sitting room had very often to be called into use.

CAMP.—We joined with the Canton Association again last summer in holding a summer camp in Macao, in a house with a large garden loaned us for the purpose. The situation for a camp was not ideal but hygienic and typhoons and mosquitoes make the finding of an ideal spot very difficult. The house was open for three weeks and there were altogether 31 campers, the majority from Hongkong. After two years' experience we feel that there is a need for a satisfactory permanent site for a camp and we hope that it may be found some time in the near future.

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SPORT.

CRICKET.

FINAL R.A. INTER-COMPANY CUP.
SIND R. 8TH COMPANIES.

The final for the above cup was played on the I.R.C. ground at Sookumpoo on Thursday. The match between the two Companies was not productive of exceptional cricket, but was keenly contested throughout. The low scoring was due to the keen display between the two teams, 8th Company winning the toss, batted first. L. Sargent, Gifford made a useful score of 52, but the team were all out for 86.

Battery Sergeant Major Page and Sergeant Bell opened the batting for 8th Company, 51 runs being made before Bell was bowled by Gifford, 51 runs were made for 7 wickets, when Page was bowled having scored 51, and at this period it appeared a sure win for 8th Company. Excitement was high, when 2 wickets fell for 1 run. Then it appeared that 8th Company was going to retain the Cup, 4 runs being required when the last man went in to play. Amid great excitement their efforts were successful, 16 runs being obtained before the last man was dismissed, thus giving 8th Company a win by 13 runs.

The cup was presented to the winners by Mrs. A. L. Cruickshank, for whom three hearty cheers were accorded.

8th COMPANY, R.A.

B.S.M. Page, b Gifford	51
Sergeant Bell, b Gifford	15
Lieut. Smith, b Hall, b Gifford	0
Sergeant Smith, b.w., b Gifford	0
Gnr. Nicklin, b Gifford	1
Sergeant West, b Hall	6
Mr. Gr. Rough, c Bessley, b Hall	8
Gnr. Harrie, c Lewis, b Gifford	0
Gnr. Barington, b Hall	1
Bdr. Jackson, b Hall	12
Gnr. Christie, not out	4
Extras	1
Total	99

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gifford	14	1	33	7
Hall	9	0	23	3
Vicars	4	0	23	0
Dyer	1	0	15	0

8th COMPANY, R.A.

Gnr. Lewis, b Rough	5
Lieut. Hall, b Smith	9
Capt. Bessley, b Smith	5
B.S.M. Bree, c West, b Smith	4
Sergeant Gifford, b Rough	52
Bdr. Vicars, c Rough, b Smith	0
Gnr. Dyer, c Christie, b Smith	0
Gnr. Morris, c and b Smith	2
Gnr. Bolt, c Harris, b Jackson	2
Bdr. Pultford, b Jackson	0
Tpr. Collyer, not out	2
Extras	5
Total	80

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rough	11	2	35	2
Smith	9	1	46	6
Jackson	1.1	0	0	2

K.C.C. v. NAVY.

The following will represent the K.C.C. in this friendly match at 2.15 this afternoon on the Kowloon ground:—R. E. Lindsell (capt.), A. W. Ramsay, J. C. Fletcher, R. Pestonji, R. Eargshaw, S. Jex, L. A. H. Duncan, B. Petherum, H. Overy, J. Fraser, A. R. F. Raven.

GIRLS' WORK.—We have reason to be encouraged over the club work for younger girls. The Pioneer Club at the Association has passed its second birthday and has a membership of over twenty. There has been a decrease in membership, owing to a number of marriages and to the fact that several of the girls have gone on for university work which leaves them no time for the Club activities. The programme is varied to fulfil the purpose of the club which is to help the members live a natural normal life and grow into responsible women. During these two years we have seen many of these girls giving much promise of future usefulness and we feel that the club has had no small share in their development.

Following a six weeks' course of training for leaders last spring, Junior Pioneer clubs were organized in the following churches, Basel Mission, Rish Mission, St. Stephen's, St. Paul's and Keung Lok. These clubs now have a total membership of 71, and while still rather young we feel it is the beginning of a training of women leaders for the churches later on.

STUDENTS.—The Joint Cabinet of the four student Associations has continued to meet at regular intervals during the year at the Association. Several joint meetings have been held including an early Sunday morning service to observe the Day of Prayer for Students, in which the Student Y.M.C.A. join. In September the first large Y.W.C.A. Student conference in three years was held in Canton. Many Schools in Kwangtung province were represented and out of 123 delegates there were twenty-nine from Hongkong. The purpose of the student work as of the girls' work is to develop Christian character and initiative in these growing girls and prepare them to take their place later as Christian leaders in the community. The value of this training is being proved to us through more than one young worker in the Association.

FINANCES.—As will be readily understood the Membership fees, Camps and Hostel receipts are not sufficient to meet the running expenses of the Association, which include the salaries of Chinese secretaries, wages, rent, general upkeep, and incidental expenses. At the beginning of the year a successful effort was made to raise the required budget difference, the amount required being \$5,204.

TENNIS.

HONDA ON THE RUN.

T. Honda defeated H. D. Rumjahn in the semi-final round of the Open Singles yesterday afternoon on the stand court by three straight sets. Although three straight sets suggests a decisive victory it was not by any means so. H. D. Rumjahn played really brilliant tennis at times; in fact he put up the best game in the Open Singles witnessed so far against Honda and as the whole he at least deserved to get one set. Only in the second set was Honda really in a commanding position. In the first set Rumjahn was leading 5-4 and looked like taking the set, but Honda made it five all after a number of deuces had been called (most of which were 'vantage' to Rumjahn). Honda then crept ahead and finally won the set 8-6. Honda took the second set, 6-0. In the third set Rumjahn led right from the start and was leading 4-3 and within a point of making the game, 5-1. He also took the next two, the last game of the match running over many deuces.

It was probably the most spectacular match seen on the stand court this season. There was hardly a dull moment throughout. Both players went in for hard driving, especially Rumjahn who used a very strong forehand drive across Court and into the corner of the Court, thus securing many points. He also, in the first and third sets kept Honda continually on the run along the base line, very rarely allowing him to creep up to the net as he usually does to finesse. Rumjahn also got in a hot service at times and altogether played a good all-round game.

Honda played a very steady game and was also driving with considerable force.

S. A. RUMJAHN v. S. D. ISMAIL.

This match was continued from the previous day when S. A. Rumjahn was leading by two sets to one, 13-11, 8-6, 5-7. Play was recommenced with the fourth set which went to Rumjahn, 7-5. Thus Rumjahn enters the semi-final of the Open Singles where he has to meet K. E. Worthington. This match is to be played on the stand court on Monday next. S. A. Rumjahn is probably the best of the Rumjahns who play tournament tennis, but he is hardly good enough for Worthington, who is likely to go into the final where he will have to meet Honda.

OTHER MATCHES.

H. M. HENDERSON v. C. C. STARK.

H. M. Henderson and Stark met in the third round of the Club Championship but no decision was reached, play being abandoned in the fourth set at eight all, with two sets to one in favour of Henderson. Henderson was leading 5-2 in the fourth set but he failed to secure the sixth game and Stark drew level and certainly in the closing stages of play it looked as if he would take the set. A lot of time in this match was wasted with the changing of balls. The changes were necessary but there were long delays in procuring new balls from the Club House. HANDICAP SINGLES "B."—E. G. Lammet (+1/0) by defeating C. D. Armstrong (+1/0), 6-0, 6-1, entered the semi-final.

ANNUAL MEETING OF H.K.F.A.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong F.A. was held on Thursday evening in the Recreation Room at Victoria Barracks.

Mr. G. T. May presided and representatives from the following clubs were present: H.K. Club, Kowloon, Police, South China, East Surrey, St. Joseph's, Club de Recreo, H.M.S. Hawkins, Tamar, Ambrose and Titania. Messrs. McCubbin, McTavish, Smith, Hollands, Bailey, Collins, Spencer with Mr. James, Hon. Secretary.

The minutes of the last annual general meeting having been read the statement of accounts was laid before the meeting which showed a balance in hand of \$922.34.

The following were the Officers elected for the season 1924-25:—President, Mr. McCubbin, Vice-President, Mr. May; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Hollands; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. James. Councillors: Messrs. Smith, McTavish and Mok Hing.

A vote of thanks to the Hongkong F.C. for placing their ground at the disposal of the Association was carried.

LEAGUE MEETING.

The annual league meeting followed. The minutes of the last annual general meeting were read and confirmed. The statement of the league accounts showed a bank balance of \$103.00 to which the Secretary stated should be added for recent "gates," \$1,136.00 less expenses for medals, referees' fees and hire of chairs \$750.00, making in all a credit balance of about \$1,314.00.

The following Officers were elected for the season 1924-25:—President, Mr. May; Vice-President, Mr. McCubbin; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Hollands; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. James. League Management Committee:—Lieut. Cottam (East Surrey), Mr. R. Hall (Kowloon), C.P.C. Vincer (H.M.S. Tamar), Mr. E. de Souza (Club de Recreo) and Mr. Yuen (South China).

The following addition to Rule 1 was proposed and carried:—Only Resident Clubs shall be elected to membership of this League. No seagoing ships shall be admitted to membership of the League. Mr. McCubbin suggested that in future medals be purchased from home. It was agreed to adopt a standard medal. A discussion took place on the payment of referees and a proposal that a notice of motion be recorded for inclusion in the agenda at the next meeting that the following be added to the rules:—When finances permit, referees be paid an increased fee.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from May 2nd to May 16th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1924. [700]

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By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1924. [701]

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By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
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Hongkong, 26th April, 1924. [702]

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"That the Books, Accounts and Documents of the Company, and of the Liquidators thereof be retained by the Liquidators, they undertaking to destroy the same at the expiration of Five Years from the dissolution of the Company."

A. R. LOWE, Joint Liquidators.
JOHN FLEMING, Joint Liquidators.
Hongkong, 25th April, 1924. [697]

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

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NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of FRANCIS CAIRD HUGH in the Firm of TAIT & CO., Amoy, Ceased as on 31st December, 1923. [699]

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of TAIT & CO., Amoy, in the Firm of TAIT & CO., Formosa, Ceased as on 31st December, 1923. [700]

TAIT & CO., Amoy.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE have REMOVED Our Offices to No. 6, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL (4th Floor).
PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING.
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1924. [672]

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PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING, Treasurers.
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1924. [673]

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 29th April to 29th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1924. [681]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Scrip No. 4227 for 500 shares F.W. CORCORAN & CO., in the name of Mr. E. A. ABRAHAM of Hongkong together with a duly executed transfer deed, purporting to assign the said shares has been lost.

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All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 1st May, 1924, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Monday, the 28th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSCH,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1924. [679]

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Hongkong, 21st April, 1924. [678]

INTIMATIONS

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6, CONNOR ROAD, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th APRIL, 1924, at 11 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1923, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 23rd April, 1924, until Wednesday, the 30th April, 1924, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
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HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

SIXTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH, at 9.15 P.M. AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENTS:
15 Round Contest for the HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP of the COLONY and THE HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION'S BELT.

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Members on the 24th April, 1924.
General Public from the 25th April, 1924.

USUAL PRICES. [640]

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For HONGKONG DEVELOPMENT, BUILDING AND SAVINGS SOCIETY, LTD.,
EDWARD B. RAYMOND,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1924. [688]

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TO-DAY (SATURDAY).

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THE CORONET.

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DEATH.

DVINGER.—At the French Hospital, on April 25th, PETER HENRY DVINGER, Peking papers please copy. [693]

Hongkong Office: 1A, Chater Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 26TH, 1924.

FAMILY TRADITION AND PERPETUAL PENSIONS.

When the Emperor of China wished to confer peculiar distinction upon Sir ROBERT HART, the organizer of the Maritime Customs, after he had already conferred such dignities as yellow jackets, mandarin buttons, and the Grand Cross of the Dragon, His Majesty bestowed, as the culminating distinction, a title of nobility upon Sir Robert's great, great grandfather. In the West, however, the regard for family tradition has never, we believe, been extended to the ancestors of a man who rendered distinguished service to the State, but there are a multitude of cases in which it has been extended to his posterity in perpetuity. We have been reminded of this recently by the announcement that arrangements have been made for the commutation of the perpetual pension of £2,000 a year granted in the seventeenth century to Admiral Lord Roxney, his heirs and successors, for the contribution he made to Britain's maritime prestige when he gained a victory over a French fleet in the West Indies. As one of the Service papers remarks, 140 years is a long time to keep the imperial memory green at £2,000 a year. This pension has already drawn £350,000 from the State, and it has now been arranged to commute it at twenty-one years' purchase. The matter was recently laid before the House of Commons, in virtue of an undertaking given some years ago, by the Prime Minister and Chancellor of the Exchequer of the day, that no pension would be commuted without the decision of the House being taken, for while such pensions are distinctly out of favour in these modern days, there is strong objection to paying handsomely for their commutation; but when the question of Lord Roxney's pension was raised

in the House last month, the Chancellor of the Exchequer made the somewhat curious statement that the only way in which the terms of the commutation could be discussed is "by a private member either making an opportunity or taking advantage of an opportunity which may arise." In other words, the terms are just laid on the table of the House by the Government. It brings forward no motion for their approval, but if any member of the House deems the terms to be unduly onerous he can have the subject discussed by bringing forward a resolution himself. Notice of a motion to this effect was promptly given when this procedure was explained, but what has happened to the resolution we do not know. We can well imagine that it is one that commands a good deal of support in all parts of the House in these democratic times. The Chancellor of the Exchequer was asked, whether, in the commutation of perpetual pensions in past years, any better terms had been secured for the Treasury than those upon which it is proposed to terminate the pension paid to Lord Roxney. Mr. Snowden replied that the answer is in the negative with the single exception of one case in 1891.

Naturally the present case recalls many old scandals connected with the perpetual pensions granted to Dukes and many other exalted personages in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. By virtue of an Act passed in 1873 various perpetual pensions have been terminated by agreements for compensation. The case of 1891, which the Chancellor of the Exchequer mentioned, as being the only case in which terms more advantageous to the Treasury had been arranged than in the case, under discussion, was, apparently, that of the Duke of Albany who held, a sinecure, as "Master of Hawks" with allowances for falconers, etc. This perpetual pension was terminated in 1891 for £19,335. A sinecure office granted to the Duke of Grafton was commuted in 1893 for £22,711. Some of these perpetual pensions have cost very large sums to commute. The Times recalls the case of the duty of one shilling per ton on all coals exported from the Tyne for consumption in England granted to the Duke of Richmond and his heirs in 1676.

It was redeemed in 1899 for an annuity of £19,000 and this annuity was afterwards redeemed for a lump sum of £233,333. The perpetual pension to the heirs of WILLIAM PENN is among the most curious of these old scandals. PENN was thus honoured in connection with the founding of the State of Pennsylvania, but nothing was paid to the relatives of PENN until after the loss of the American Colonies. PENN died in 1718, and, so far as is known, left no issue; but in 1780 the Government began to pay a pension of £4,000 a year to the collateral heirs of PENN, and continued paying this sum till 1884 when the pension was commuted into a ten years' annuity of £12,700. This annuity, in itself, represents a sum twice as large as the reward paid to Admiral BEATTY for his services in upholding our maritime prestige in the greatest crisis of our national history, and is considerably larger than the sum paid to Marshal HAIG for his valuable services in the war as Commander-in-Chief of the greatest Army that ever fought under the British standard. The heirs and successors of modern men of distinction in these more democratic times have to be content with a lump sum and a family tradition not supported by a perpetual pension from the State.

Brigadier-General McNaghton, C.M.G., D.S.O., left Shanghai last week for home by the *Empress of Australia*.

The two Dutch seamen who were charged with creating a disturbance in the public bar of the Hongkong Hotel were yesterday fined \$50 each.

A census of rickshaws in Peking is being taken. It is estimated that they number 70,000 and that 200,000 make a living out of pulling them.

Northern Chinese papers report that a resolution calling for the unconditional abolition of all the Boxer Indemnities has been passed by a unanimous vote in the House of Representatives.

It is reported that oil has been discovered in Fangshan Hsien, west of Peking. The Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce is sending engineers to make surveys.

Seven boat people were cautioned at the Marine Magistrate's, yesterday morning for having their boats inshore without permission. Five of the defendants had permission to work cargo inshore whilst the other two informed the Magistrate that they were also working cargo and that they received instructions from the person who engaged them to do so.

Mr. J. W. H. Ferguson, Statisticians Secretary of the Customs, went home by the *Empress of Australia*, on "long leave." His place is taken by Mr. de Luca.

"China is a country with a peculiar appeal, an appeal which no other country has," said Mr. Charles Denby at a Rotary Club tiffin at Tientsin. "There is something about it which sticks. You go to bed with it, and you wake up with it. I once asked Secretary of State Hughes what he thought of China, and he answered me in those words. He said 'I always think of China. I go to bed with it, and wake up with it.'"

The new Administration at Tsingtao has confirmed the sanction granted by the former Government for the formation of the International Recreation Club, which is to take over the management of the Race Course there, a special charter for of \$15,000 having already been granted by the temporary committee of the club, together with the first half-yearly rental of \$250. The organizers of the Club are both foreign and Chinese.

A private member's bill requesting the abolition of the title of Emperor, permitted Hsuan Tung, the Manchu Emperor, has been introduced into the House of Representatives. In the preamble it is said that the Manchu Emperor recently bestowed upon Chang Yin-in the title of "tutor to the prince" on the strength of which his friends extended their congratulations. It was further pointed out that following the restoration movement many honours were bestowed by the Ching household.

Officially, summer commences in Hongkong on May 1st. Hence in yesterday's Command Orders we have the intimation that "the summer period will commence officially on May 1st next, from which date White Mess Kit will be worn by all Officers in the Garrison." There is also an order about punkabs and electric fans being taken into use from the 1st May. A further paragraph makes reference to the Command Standing Orders in regard to bathing, which "will be permitted from 1st May, 1924, at times and places laid down."

Sir Edward Crowe, formerly British Commercial Commissioner at Yokohama, has been appointed head of the foreign section of the Department of Overseas Trade and will not return to Japan at present. The appointment is an important one and involves the supervision of the British commercial services throughout the world, except in British Colonies and possessions. The promotion came unexpectedly after Sir Edward Crowe had made all his plans for returning to Japan. Lady Crowe, who has been seriously ill, and has undergone an operation, is making a very good recovery.

The last American claim of \$47,991.37, recently presented to the Foreign Office under the supplementary claims of the Linchew Note of August 10th, 1922, covers eight of the American victims of the outrage, and the Chinese Government was advised that the United States reserved the right to present similar claims for the other nine Americans captured. The British claim for \$70,000 covers the five British subjects captured and is final. Thus far none of the other Powers excepting the United States involved have presented supplementary claims to compensate for bodily injury, permanent disability, loss of earnings and loss of earning capacity.

A revenue cruiser for the Chinese Maritime Customs was launched last week at the New Engineering Society, Hongkong, building Works, Shanghai. She was named *Hai Wang*, the christening ceremony being performed by Mrs. Eldridge. She is a twin-screw steamer, 280ft. in length, designed and constructed for service in connection with the Lighthouses, Light Ships and Buoys at the Approaches to the China Coast and Rivers. Mr. C. H. Arnold, Chairman of the Shipbuilding Company in the course of a speech said: "Dr. Chatley has suggested that the lichen poured over the *Hai Wang*'s hull should have consisted of red wine rather than champagne. He reminds us that the custom is a humane variation of the ancient heathen practice of sacrificing a virtuous maiden and besprinkling the new vessel's bows with her blood. This, it was thought, endowed the craft with the maiden's spirit, and ensured her 'favourable fortunes.' As representing blood, the wine should therefore strictly be red."

HONGKONG AT THE EXHIBITION.

WHAT MR. BIRD THINKS OF IT.

Dr. Montague Harston, Vice-President of the St. George's Society, Hongkong, has received the following reply to his congratulatory cable sent on St. George's Day to Mr. H. W. Bird, President of the Society, who is at present in London as one of the Hongkong Commissioners to the Exhibition:—

"Harston, Hongkong.—Many thanks for congratulations. Opening ceremony brilliant success. Hongkong holds its own.—Bird."

U.S.R.C. ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the U.S.R.C. took place yesterday evening. Commodore Grace (President) was in the chair, and was assisted by the Hon. Sec., Captain G. A. Clements.

Colonel Butterworth was elected President for the forthcoming year.

Captain Clements was re-elected Hon. Sec. and the remainder of the new Committee are—Pay-Lieut. Harrington, Eng. Comdr. Bennett, Major Greenway, Capt. Haynes Newington, Major Hyland, Major Hingston, Capt. Bennett, Mr. T. F. Claxton, and Mr. R. E. Lindell.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
(THROUGH RAFTER'S AGENCY.)
ANGLO-RUSSIAN
CONFERENCE.

RUSSIAN EXTREMISTS PROTEST.

Moscow, April 24th.
The All-Russian Council of Trades Unions has issued a protest against the British bankers' memorandum of April 13th. It declares that Russia cannot recognise the debts of "the Tsarist or Kerensky Governments, which would degrade Russians to the level of coolies." "If England gives us credits we shall repay a moderate percentage, but private property will never be returned to foreign owners. We shall forbid commercial negotiations between British bankers and private Russian capitalists."

The above represents the extremist feeling and is not necessarily the opinion of the Government.

PROTEST NOT OFFICIAL.

LATER.

The Russian *Charge d'Affaires* in London emphasises that the protest of the Council of Trade Unions must not be regarded as official, although it contains some points in accord with the views of the Government, but does not represent the policy of the Soviets in other respects.

Bakowsky states that up to the present negotiations in London have gone very well, the goodwill showing that there has been no serious difference of opinion. He believes definite results on some questions will be reached next week. It is not intended to postpone a settlement of individual points until a general settlement has been reached, but to conclude the agreements as arrived at.

EARLIER CABLES.

CONFERENCE ADJOURNS.

London, April 24th.

The Anglo-Soviet Conference has established the following committees:—To investigate the debts, claims and counter-claims and means for restoring Russian credit to Great Britain; to draft a Treaty of Commerce and Navigation; and to examine and report on the question of territorial waters.

The Conference adjourned until one of the foregoing committees is ready to report.

IRISH BOUNDARIES.

CONFERENCE IN LONDON CANNOT AGREE.

London, April 24th.

The Irish Boundary Conference which is being held in London has broken up. No agreement has been reached.

FRESH CRISIS THREATENED.

LATER.

A fresh Irish crisis is threatened by the breakdown of the Boundary Conference. The delegates are remaining in London for the present, but a further meeting is unlikely. It is understood that the Ulster representatives persisted in their refusal to consider any boundary alteration or appoint a representative on the Boundary Commission. It is anticipated that the Free State will now call on the Imperial Government to proceed in accordance with the treaty and constitute a Commission. It is suggested in some quarters that this will necessitate the introduction of an amending Bill in the British Parliament, which would arouse a storm of controversy. Feeling runs high both in the Irish Free State and Ulster, and the situation is most delicate.

QUEENSLAND LOAN RUSH.

PREMIER'S GRATIFICATION.

London, April 24th.

The Queensland Loan has been applied for fivefold. The conversion applications were between £2,000,000 and £7,000,000, and the cash applications amounted to £30,000,000. The Hon. E. G. Theodore, the Queensland Premier, is most gratified with the result.

PROMINENT INDIANS GO TO PRISON.

PENALTY OF NON-CO-OPERATION.

Nairobi, April 24th.

Following the refusal of the Indians to pay the poll-tax in pursuance of their policy of non-co-operation, a number of prominent Indians have been taken to goal, including Joshi, a former member of the Legislative Council, and the property of others has been attached.

LATEST CABLES.

ECHO OF NEWFOUNDLAND SCANDAL.

WARREN MINISTRY DEFEATED.

St. Johns, Newfoundland, April 24th.
The Assembly returned a motion of non-confidence in the Warren Ministry by 16 votes to 15, the majority including Sir Richard Squires, ex-Prime Minister.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(THROUGH RAFTER'S AGENCY.)

OPIUM IN AN ANTI-POISON BUREAU.

Peking, April 25th.

The House of Representatives today passed a Chaban against Tsai Cheung Hsun, Tuli of Kiangsi, on the ground that he had established an opium monopoly in the guise of an anti-poison bureau. The House resolved to forward the Chaban to the Government with a request for immediate action.

THE "YANG MARU'S" CAPTIVE OFFICERS.

Peking, April 24th.

The whereabouts of the officers of the *Yang Maru* are still a mystery.

The Japanese Consul left Hoken for Luchow on the 18th inst., where he requested Tan Hsi-mou's chief, Lai Hsin-hui, to communicate with Tan Hsi-mou with a view to the release of the captives. Li Hsin-hui promised to do his best.

SINO-SOVIET NEGOTIATIONS.

Peking, April 24th.

Many foreign Pressmen attended yesterday's meeting of the Senate, for which Huang Pei-lan's motion calling on the Government to negotiate with the Soviet with a view to the recall of M. Karakhan appeared on the agenda, but there was no quorum.

As regards the reports in the Chinese Press that the Government has received from Sinkiang a draft of the proposed Commercial Treaty with the Soviet, the draft was recently circulated among the members of the Cabinet with a request that each member should study its contents and make his own comments on them.

It was expected that the Cabinet, today, would take up this matter, but the meeting was poorly attended and no serious questions were discussed.

As far as can be ascertained, it is questionable whether the Central Government will approve of the draft as it is felt that a regional agreement such as this would be unwise.

LI YUAN HUNG.

Osaka, April 24th.

Li Yuan-hung (ex-President of the Republic of China), who is sojourning in Osaka, is being entertained by the newspapers and other organisations.

Last night, Li Yuan-hung was entertained to a banquet by the Sino-Japanese Association, in the Public Hall.

Replying to the Governor's address of welcome, Li Yuan-hung, *inter alia*, expressed surprise at the great strides Osaka has made since his previous visit in 1897. He urged Chinese and Japanese co-operation and the formation of an economic alliance for the enhancement of trade relations and mutual interests, and closer friendship.

STATUS OF SHANGHAI SING-SONG HOUSES.

Shanghai, April 24th.

The much-discussed status of the sing-song houses has been settled by the Municipal Council deciding to issue separate licences to sing-song houses hitherto classified as brothels, and, therefore, subject to elimination through periodical ballotings.

JAPAN AND THE U.S. IMMIGRATION ISSUE.

"JAPAN MUST PREFER JUSTICE TO PEACE."

Tokyo, April 24th.

That the situation is as grave as that with which Japan was confronted by the three-Power intervention after the Japan-China war, sums up today's opinion of the immigration issue, which, it is acknowledged, demands the utmost prudence and self-control, but, says the *Nichi-Nichi*, Japan must prefer justice to peace if the two are found to be incompatible.

The *Fiji* deplores the serious setback to Anglo-Japanese cultural relations, which is certain if the immigration law is enacted. The Premier is credited by this morning's papers with a statement made to the Privy Council to the effect that the Government are convinced that the question can be solved by a direct appeal to the American people, to whom they are directed their efforts.

IN AID OF ST. DUNSTON'S.

LAST NIGHT'S BALL AT THE CITY HALL.

St. Dunstan's Home for the Blind, who has not been touched by the splendour that is being carried on there, as "Enthusiast" has stated in these columns, "it is the only place in England where the blinded ex-Servicemen is taught to reconstruct his life on useful and happy lines." The mere reminder that this famous institution, founded by the late Sir Arthur Pearson, "is being trammelled by lack of funds," makes an eloquent appeal, and generous support for last night's effort in aid of the institution was well assured.

Between 400 and 500 people were present and there were many who bought tickets and did not attend because, even if they felt the season was too far advanced for pleasurable dancing, their sympathies were entirely with such a deserving cause. The affair was not organised on such a grand scale as, say, the St. Andrew's or the St. George's annual balls, the organisers, very properly, recognising that the more spent on elaborate decorations the smaller the cheque would be for forwarding to St. Dunstan's. But this did not mean that decoration was entirely omitted. By the practical and sympathetic help of the Kowloon Dock Company, ably represented by Mr. A. Keith, the Commodore, the Harbour Master and the Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, there was quite a brave display of flags, bunting, and greenery in the various rooms and on the main stairway leading to the ball-rooms. In the two dance halls—St. Andrew's and St. George's—flags and bunting were tastefully arranged. Under the portrait of Queen Victoria, draped with flags, a dais for H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs was erected. The dancing floors were in excellent order and this, together with the delightful programme of music discoursed by the Hongkong Hotel Company's No. 1 Orchestra, made dancing very enjoyable, despite the warmth of the atmosphere. Light refreshments were served during the evening in the old Chamber of Commerce Room, whilst a bar and card-room were provided for the gentlemen in the public library below, and cloak-rooms were arranged on either side of the main entrance hall.

The outstanding feature of the very modest decorations was the appealing representation of a blinded British soldier in full war kit with a bandage covering his eyes. The figure stood out prominently against an illuminated background of dark blue. Underneath this sad and lonely figure the following appeal faced all ascending the stairs: "One of the many to whom our help is due." Directly opposite was a portrait of H.M. the King, draped with the Union Jack.

As already indicated, H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs honoured the function with their presence. His Excellency and her Ladyship were met on arrival by Sir Claude Severn and conducted to their seats on the dais.

The organisers, who worked so hard for the success of the event, are modest and do not desire that their names should be published. They are, however, grateful to the following for assistance rendered, either previously or at the Ball itself:—The Kowloon Dock Company, the Officers of H.M.S. *Tamar*, the Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd., Messrs. Montrose and Co., Messrs. Anderson Music Co., and to many ladies for their energetic assistance in selling tickets, and to many gentlemen for assisting with the arrangements at the Ball.

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FUNCTION AT CARLTON CLUB.

CLAY PIPES AND TANKARDS OF BEER.

Within the exclusive walls of the Carlton Club, 55 British workmen were on April 25th entertained by the Luncheon Committee as a token of appreciation for the way in which the work of refacing the club has been carried out.

Bricklayers, masons, carpenters and painters, together with their labourers, sat with various members of the Club. The men were gathered in small groups, smoking clay pipes and well-earned briars, and they were all dressed in their Sunday best. The general foreman was received by Viscount Younger, chairman of the club, and the moment the men were inside the lounge, they were set at their ease by members, who greeted them almost as if they were old friends.

The men were identical with that offered to members of the club, and the guests were invited to participate in the long list of wines and spirits, but for the most part preferred tankards of beer. Finally, with liquors and cigars, the men settled down to real luxury.

Viscount Younger, in a speech, spoke to references in the press which might give the impression that they thought themselves superior persons. "We don't consider ourselves anything of the kind," he said.

ENGINEERS' INSTITUTION MEETING.

The thirty-first general annual meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong was held yesterday evening, with Mr. S. Blake (President) in the chair, supported by most members of the Managing Committee.

The annual report stated that membership to the end of December, 1923, totalled 370. During the year 118 new members were elected, 18 members resigned, while 70 members have been written off owing to continued absence or for breach of regulations.

The Committee regret that during the year no Technical papers have been read. This is not as it should be, as we have plenty of members who are capable of contributing their ideas on modern methods of Shipbuilding, Engineering and kindred subjects and it is hoped that during the coming season various papers will be forthcoming on any subject of interest to the members.

The result of the year's working shows a profit of \$6,594.04 as compared with \$12,190.96 in 1922. This decrease is due partly to repairs and alterations effected on the premises and also to the amount of \$2,005.75 written off for bad debts in the 14th quarter.

The Chairman, after commenting upon the satisfactory increase in membership, dealt with matters of purely institutional interest.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected and the Billiards prizes distributed.

THE CANTON RIVER COLLISION.

FRENCH STEAMER ARRIVES IN HARBOUR.

The *s.s. Les Filles du Port Douneux*, which was badly damaged in collision with the *s.s. Paul Benon* on Saturday night at Sampan Chau in the Pearl River, arrived in harbour yesterday from Canton under her own steam. After tying up at Buoy No. 415 for a brief period she proceeded to Taikoo Dock where she will have to undergo extensive repairs. Practically the whole of the vessel's stem has been flattened out and she has a gaping hole about 15 feet in diameter about a foot or two above water. Her damage is considered to be much more extensive than that sustained by the *s.s. Paul Benon*, and it is estimated that it will cost something like \$10,000 to repair her.

The master of the French steamer is Captain Levaillant. After the collision this vessel picked up three passengers and one watchman belonging to the *Paul Benon* who had been thrown into the water by the force of the collision. After the collision most of her cargo was transferred to the stern of the vessel, thus raising the damaged bow well out of the water, and she was thus enabled to proceed to Canton.

INDIAN GUARDS CHARGED.

MISSED THEIR SHIP AT CANTON.

Two Indian guards of the *s.s. Benno* were charged at the Marine Court yesterday, with being absent without leave from their ship when the vessel sailed from Canton.

The defendants told his Worship that they went ashore at Canton and that they did not know sufficient Chinese to direct the boatmen to take them back to their ship.

The Magistrate administered a caution.

BOVRIL'S RECORD YEAR.

Presiding at the twenty-seventh Annual General Meeting of Bovril, Ltd., held in London on February 27th, Sir George Lawson Johnston (chairman) congratulated the shareholders on having had a successful year. The profits of the Company again constituted a record. Every year since the war had shown an advance upon its predecessor, and again for 1923 the overseas shipments of Bovril had exceeded those of 1922 by over 20 per cent.

Sir James Crichton-Browne on influenza. Thanking the shareholders for his re-election to the Board, Sir James Crichton-Browne, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S., said he was warmly interested in Bovril, professionally as well as personally. Bovril repelled influenza—that insidious and destructive malady that was still hovering about—for, by maintaining nutrition, it fortified the system and heightened its resistance to the incursions of the disease. But it did more than that. For Bovril helped to expel influenza when that had effected a lodgement, by supporting strength and assisting the body to throw the malady off, and it helped to dispel influenza by dissipating the injurious and debilitating effects it so often left behind it. If there was a demon of influenza, he fancied it trembled at the name Bovril.

The researches of Pavlov, that great Russian physiologist, established that Bovril, as a meat extract, not only makes the mouth water, but is a powerful exciter of the secretion of the gastric juices, thus stimulating and promoting digestion, and the later experiments of Professor Sir W. H. Thompson confirmed this knowledge, and showed by actual measurement how remarkable the nutritive value of Bovril is.

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MR. CHARLES DENBY ON EXTRA-TERRITORIALITY.

NO ABOLITION FOR A GENERATION.

"We cannot expect to abolish extraterritoriality for at least another generation. There is one way whereby extraterritoriality may be superseded. That is for the China Government to make a code of jurisprudence, with foreign assistance. This should be based on a common law acceptable to all. Then let them organise tribunals to administer this code, and at first we could have foreigners in the appeal court. When we saw that the Chinese were administering justice, we could clear out. With due respect to my 'Chinese friends,' we all ought to realise that extraterritoriality, at least for another generation, must be a condition of our residence in this country."

This statement was the gist of Mr. Charles Denby's speech to members of the Tientsin Rotary Club at their weekly dinner last week. Mr. Denby was speaking on extraterritoriality, and he prefaced his remarks with a resume of the treaties granting that right to foreigners. China today was the great problem, next to the European problem, which was facing the chancelleries of the world. It was engaging the attention of all at home. Every body was asking "What is the matter with China?" "I can tell you there is a very big body who know," said Mr. Denby.

There are a good many guesses, and I am a pretty good guesser myself. This is what I think. In the old days we had a strong dynasty on the throne. We had the Manchu dynasty. China was all right then. Perhaps we heard talk that the Government was going to pieces, but if you asked the business men they would tell you in the old days that there was a feeling of increased commercial activity. In the old days the people considered that to ornament themselves, the Emperor didn't conduct it for them. He ruled through his deputies in the provinces, through his viceroys. Then along came the foreigners. They made treaties with China, and they brought the Government into closer touch with the people. They introduced a new regime, because the foreign Governments expected the Chinese Government to see that the treaties were carried out. But the Manchu dynasty failed to keep on the throne. It failed to do so because the strong man ceased to exist. Men like Kung Hsi, Chia Lung, and Tiao Kuang did not occupy the throne now.

Then there is a new element. There are the returned students. Many of these returned students are men I have a high regard for, they are men I love; but there are others I distrust. I am tired of these men going abroad and learning to kick a football, and then coming back to run the Government. I once asked an influential friend in Shanghai, a Chinese friend, why he did not enter into political activity, and he told me "I am going to wait until the students have finished first."

The first students to return said Mr. Denby, came back with the idea that China was wrong. They said China was not strong enough militarily. They pointed out that she was not as strong as Japan, and they conceived the idea of forming a republic. "I maintain that there is no need whatever for a republic in China," he added. "That criticism was a radical mistake. What they should have said was 'Let us reform the people, and let us have a better government.' And what they ought to do is to train the Chinese people to govern themselves. The remedy is not merely to call China a republic, because we all know it is not one."

Referring to the treaties granting extraterritoriality, Mr. Denby pointed out that these treaties did not force the Chinese Government to concede that right as had been suggested. The probability was that if the foreign Powers had suggested that the Chinese Government should rule foreign subjects in China, the Government would have refused, and would have asked the foreign Powers to rule their own subjects. Extraterritoriality was by no means something new. The system went right back to the Middle Ages. It was found in Turkey, and China herself had it for many decades before. He had found no actual proof, but in the strong days of the Tartar dynasty there was the probability that Chinese who went abroad had certain privileges, which were in the nature of extraterritoriality. It was not a thing which the foreigners desired to see in China for ever, but until China had learned to play the game, it must remain a *sine qua non*.

At the present time there were British Courts, American Courts, Danish Courts, Brazilian Courts and other separate tribunals, some 15 or 20, all functioning under their own separate jurisprudence. How could it be expected that any law should be carried out? When a case had been decided in one court one could not say of a similar case to be tried in another court the following year, that the principles had already been settled.

Extraterritoriality could not be abolished yet awhile though, concluded Mr. Denby. There was need for good will, but there must be no precipitate action.

Mr. H. Chang voiced the thanks of Rotarians for the speech, and paid a tribute to Mr. Denby. All the Chinese in Tientsin knew the excellent work Mr. Denby accomplished after the troublesome times of the Boxer Rebellion.

SOUND WARNING OF AIR RAIDS.

Lecturing on the subject of "Sound Reception" at a meeting of the Royal Aeronautical Society, Major W. S. Tucker said that in future the most effective air raids would be carried out after dark, or under the protection of cloud, and early warning and location would be obtained only by acoustical methods. A small research and experimental section supported equally by the three fighting Services was devoting all its energies to the solution of sound reception problems, and while its research was concerned primarily with the military aspect, much of its work was of purely scientific interest. Major Tucker expressed astonishment that sound direction-finding apparatus had not been used for navigation in fog. Many collisions at sea might, he declared, have been avoided by recognised signals, and simple trumpet locators.

SIAM'S ARRANGEMENT WITH GERMANY.

The Bangkok Times of the 15th inst.

The *Singapore Free Press* makes a statement with regard to the Provisional Economic Arrangement recently concluded between Siam and Germany, which we are informed is correct. It says that, arising out of the war and the carrying out of the terms of the Peace Treaty, there were a number of questions on which it was desirable to come to an agreement with Germany, and when that country expressed a desire for such an agreement His Majesty's Government concurred. The agreement, signed in Berlin on the 25th February last, is purely a temporary measure. It deals, in the first place, with questions arising out of the war and the work of carrying out of the terms of the Treaty of Peace, and, in the second place, with restoring business relations to their former footing. In entering into this agreement Siam's main aim was to obtain satisfaction of her claim for costs, while Germany was doubly concerned in her subject being enabled to come into this country and have carry on their trade and commerce again.

It is important to emphasise that this agreement does not modify anything in the Peace Treaty, which conferred any right of advantage on Siam. As regards German subjects it is acknowledged that Siam has obtained full fiscal and judicial autonomy. The temporary agreement is not a treaty, but the negotiations for a treaty will be proceeded with.

It has to be noted that necessarily this Provisional Economic Arrangement does not come into force until the exchange of ratifications. Pending this, therefore, the Former Enemy Alien Admission Law continues to apply and accordingly such Germans as are admitted now—that is to say, until the exchange of ratifications—will have to comply with the conditions and formalities laid down in the said Law. However, it is understood that permission to enter Siam under that Law will be granted to those Germans who have sat in their application before a certain date. That is why a certain number of permits have been recently granted to some of the Germans coming under the category above mentioned.

LIFE IN THE RANKS IN THE "SEVENTIES."

SIR WILLIAM ROBERTSON'S REMINISCENCES.

Field Marshal Sir William Robertson, speaking to a large audience at the Working Men's College, Crowndale road, St. Pancras, on March 24th, gave a description of life in the ranks of the British Army 47 years ago.

Sir William Robertson said he joined the Army in 1877, and he had a stroke of bad luck, as the colonel, a fat old Crimean veteran, took an instant dislike to him. The old soldiers in his regiment were a hard-drinking, hard-wearing lot, and enlistment at that time was looked upon as bringing disgrace on the recruit's family. The basic used by the soldier served many purposes: in the morning it was used as a shaving-pot, in the middle of the day it served as a beer-mug, in the evening as a coffee-cup, and at night it was used to mix the pipelay with which the soldiers cleaned their belts. Mr. Robertson said he got his medicine about 28 hours after he reported sick. There were no nurses in the Army then, the nursing being carried out by the hospital orderly, who slept in the room, who generally had too much beer, and whose attention to his patients was regulated by the tips he received from them. (Laughter.)

Sir William joined the Army before he was 15, but the sergeant said he looked a big boy and put his age down as 18 years and two months. To this day he regretted telegram congratulating him on his birthday in November, while it really did not occur until the following January. (Laughter.)

He confessed that his first "crime" in the Army was letting a prisoner go; his second was letting a horse go; and then at Brighton, at a Volunteer review, a man who was under his charge refreshed himself too freely, and his horse ran away with him. The colonel said to him: "I am getting sick of you. First, you let a man go; then you let a horse go; you let a man and a horse go. (Laughter.) You let a man and a horse go."

Sir William admitted that he hesitated a long time before he took a commission, as he had no private means, which were absolutely necessary in a cavalry regiment. He was the first man from the ranks to join the Staff College where he was afterwards Commandant. The Field-Marshal said that a lady who asked him what statement most impressed him during the war was most surprised when he replied: "Lord Carnarvon and Mr. John Redmond." (Cheers.)

NEW TERRORE FOR CRIMINALS.

DUST AS EVIDENCE.

According to the *Chicago Tribune* (Paris edition), the French police have inaugurated a new system of catching criminals by microscopic examination of dust and dirt upon the clothing of suspects. After microscopic examination, the suspects are stripped of their clothing, which is subjected to a thorough and special treatment of beating and cleaning in order to separate all the dirt, dust, and residue particles of foreign matter. This matter is examined under the strongest of microscopes. Then the detectives make deductions as to whether the suspect has been telling the truth.

During March, French contrives of Sherlock Holmes have trapped three murderers through the dust system. One murderer tried to prove an *alibi* that he slept in the fields during the night of the murder, but the examination of the clothing proved that he really slept in a farm quarry. Another murderer was trapped and caught by the discovery of fine particles of sand upon a piece of clothing found in the dead man's cloth. A carpenter, who avowed that an enemy had murdered the man, finally confessed to the crime. French criminals are reported to be now carrying a change of clothing in order to evade the new system.

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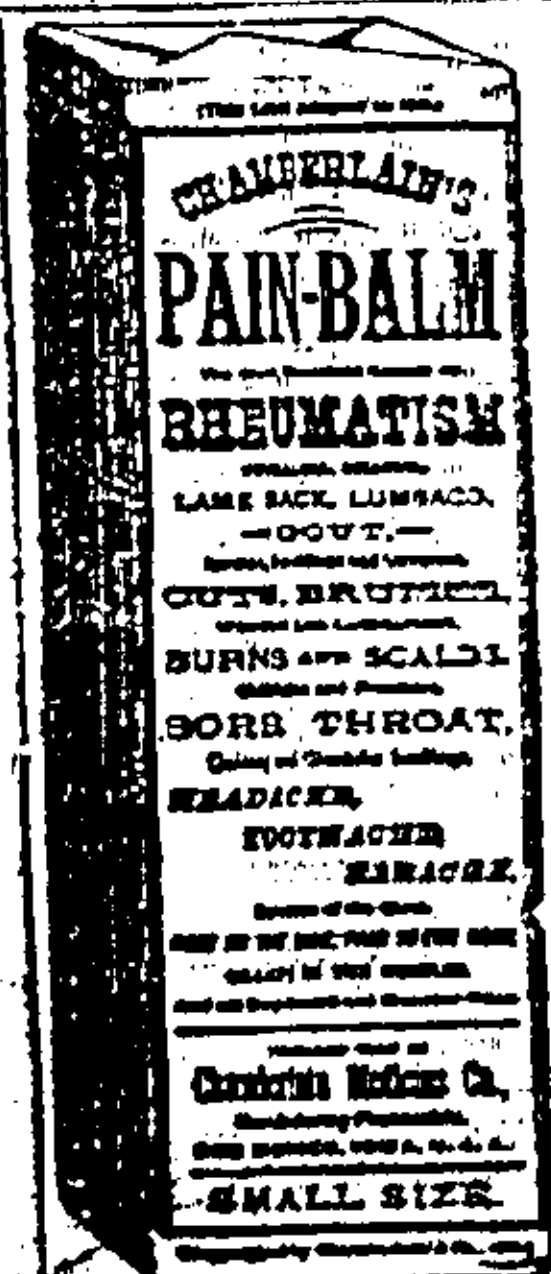
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SCIENCE AND RELIGION.

SIR O. LODGE & RACE SUICIDE.

Addressing the annual assembly of the National Council of the Evangelical Free Churches, at Brighton, on March 31st, on "The Development of Man from two points of view," Sir Oliver Lodge said there would be—there always had been—some who complained that the account given by science of the coming of man, its reading of the record of the rocks, differed completely from the poetic account given in the Book of Genesis. But surely they were educated enough now to be taken literally, and their words pressed to illustrate extreme. If they could find a way of interpreting ancient literature in a way intelligible to modern conceptions they could satisfy be thankful for modes of expression simpler and more poetic than our own, with the flavour of antiquity upon them that had come down through the mists of archaic languages—which languages, nevertheless, to scholars, were as intelligible and decipherable as were the records of the rocks. But the poetic mode of expression and the scientific record were not so entirely discordant as people imagined. It was true that the scale of time was different. Science knew that the operations of earth formation took millions of centuries. Poetry compressed them into a single week. But neither science nor poetry knew what "time" was, and neither science nor poetry could follow out the process of evolution or creation in all its details. They saw the result at its different stages: the greater part of the working was still completely hidden. Their ambition now was to trace out the interlocking of the atoms which accompanied the process. But even when they had done that there was much for which they could not account without postulating a great deus ex machina: the laws of physics and chemistry.

Much as had been accomplished, however, in the development of the human race, it had to be admitted that the average man had not progressed very far as yet. He had not fashioned ordinary human life into much dignity or beauty; his older ancestors were cave-dwellers; he himself may be styled a slum-dweller; for the greater part of so-called "civilised" mankind crowd together in mean streets and live in pitiful hovels, in order to form a self-protective and nutritive community; not apparently realising that all food must inevitably come out of the land under the energising influence of sunshine and air in one way or another. It has to be sorrowfully admitted that the conditions of life for the greater number of mankind are rather depressing. But it must be joyfully granted that their spirit rises superior to their surroundings; and that when the call comes for exceptional heroism, they respond just as freely from the slums as from the palaces. Humanity is far better than one would expect from its superficial, its poor and sordid surroundings. Its ancient poet and saintly seer may be as real as ever. We can readily understand and make allowance for our present lowly condition; we need never be unduly perturbed and discouraged by it. Signs of higher potentials are never lacking: signs of loftiness are apparent even in mean surroundings; the long labour of preparation of the planet is not to be thrown away. Millions of years before man appeared there were signs of his coming, and still there are signs and indications, to those whose eyes are opened, of a lofty future for the race, in ways as yet undreamt of.

SCIENTIFIC EXTERMINATION.
Nevertheless, the progress of humanity so far left much to be desired. It would seem now as if it might be regarded as a step in advance to wage war mainly by machinery, guiding tanks and submarines and aeroplanes from a distance, without human bodies inside so that they could be laden wholly with high explosive, poison gas, and disease germs. And this, observed Sir Oliver, is what we shall be coming to, if sanity is not recovered. The people at home who make the chemical and explosive are just as essential as the people at the front, so that broadcast destruction seems locally indicated. Women as well as men must be slaughtered, the wounded must be prevented from recovering, and children must be prevented from growing up. The most efficient way. But massacre is not fighting, and it is massacre towards which humanity is now again tending. Mutual extermination may be the destiny of man, if he wills it so. It is for mankind to decide. He can be guided if he is willing, but the Higher Powers will not compel him. He has been allowed to be cruel and ruthless in the past; he may deserve himself into such course still. The conditions have grown so fearful in prospect that there must surely be a revolt against them. Happiness is not so superabundant on this planet that we can afford to spend our energies in disgusting and hurting each other. The evil is really the outcome of our animal ancestry. It is a disease of civilisation, a mania which has accompanied material progress. It is a devil that must be cast out. What, then, is the destiny of man, asked Sir Oliver, of man as an individual and of man as a race? The individual is the simpler of the two, for much of his fate is manifest in his own hands. He has the option of degradation, if that is what he chooses; and there seems no limit to the abysses to which it may lead. On the other hand, he has the power to seek for help, to strive upward to seek after something lofty and inaccessible.

And how will it be with the race? Will men be mad enough to compete in devices for scientific mutual extermination? Or will they cease this conflict with each other, and concentrate on battling with the powers of evil, the pain and disease and poverty and misery that he ready to swallow them, but which they can master and dominate if they choose? Some day the race will realise the possibilities before it, the powers that can be wielded by mutual help, by the working together of the nations for true co-operation, not wasting their energies on national greed and petty aims. How much already could they not easily do, forthwith, by merely supplementing each other's deficiencies, contributing each his quota, and pooling all discoveries as we do now to a great extent in the scientific world! Some beginning of realisation of the destiny of the race is not so far ahead as we may think. It needs faith to realise it now; but they "on the other

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ATTEMPT TO CONQUER EVEREST.

Calcutta, April 24th.

The Everest party is making rapid progress and the Tibetan frontier was crossed on April 1st. The whole party is now proceeding up the Chumbi Valley, two stages beyond Phariang, the highest town in the world, which will be the expedition's last link with the outside world.

Except for the loss of a few cases of rations, the expedition's stores and equipment arrived in Tibet intact, and there will, therefore, be no hold-up due to the loss of apparatus, as was feared.

The journey across the Tibetan plateau to the base camp is likely to be most difficult owing to the bitter winds sweeping the high Tibetan plains.

I am informed that the expedition hopes to launch the actual attack on the mountain on May 8th, but it will be at least eight days afterwards before news of success or failure can reach the outside world.

A base camp will be established just below the great Rongbuk glacier, at an altitude of 18,000 feet, a four days' climb from the summit. Two small camps, reduced to the bare necessities, are also being established on the glacier at distances that can be covered in one day's climb. Further up, two rough shelters are being established, and the last can only be reached by very difficult climbing, thus whole axes being over slippery shale, set at an alarmingly steep angle. It will be impossible for the climbers to stay more than one night at this altitude, and failure at the first attempt will necessitate the party returning to the base camp, thus losing several days.

With the object of reducing this handicap to a minimum, General Bruce intends to have a second climbing party following along behind the first and acting as a support, following the same route and taking advantage of the first party's experience.

Each will consist of two men, with one immediate support, and also selected Gurkha followers.

Even from the highest camp, it will be impossible for the climbers to reach the summit in one day, and they must therefore carry a tiny tent and establish a shelter on the ledge of the last slope of the mountain, and repeat the terrifying experience of General Bruce's party at 27,300 feet last year, when it obtained no sleep. The party spent the night clinging to the ledge in a frantic effort to prevent the tent and themselves being swept away by an icy wind down a perpendicular precipice.

Should the first two parties not succeed, General Bruce intends to make a further attempt by the three remaining climbers, who will still be fresh. This also failing, he will send a final party made up of the survivors of the first two who have sufficiently recovered to face the tremendous ordeal.

General Bruce, on leaving civilization on the Tibetan frontier, is still most confident of success.

MALARIA AND CANCER.

London, April 24th.

The English climate is a double-edged sword for mosquitoes, was the verdict of Sir Ronald Ross at a luncheon of the Overseas League at the Criterion Restaurant at which Sir Ronald discoursed on the subject of malaria and other diseases. He remarked that the people of Great Britain knew little about malaria apart from those who had contracted it during the war or while serving abroad. There were more malaria parasites in a patient's blood than there were human beings in the world, but those parasites could be killed entirely if the patient was given genuine quinine properly for three months. An attempt was worth making to establish a Malaria Research Institute. A very simple way to get it would be to release thousands of infected mosquitoes in the House of Commons. It would be a splendid thing if the British Empire led the way and banished malaria from the Empire, which meant from the world.

Emphasising the need for more medical research, Sir Ronald Ross instanced cancer. He declared he did not want to harrow their feelings, but one in ten of those present were going to have that disease. It was a very serious matter but he thought it could be solved very quickly; if they used the best brains they could buy in the country, it would be done.

BETTING ON THE DERBY.

London, April 24th.

The first betting call over for the Derby at Beaufort Club to-night was 9 to 1 against Tom Pinch, 10 to 1 against Bright Knight and Diaphan, 100 to 1 against Donzelon and 100 to 1 against Salmon Trout.

KING EDWARD'S HORSE TO BE DISBANDED.

London, April 24th.

It is announced in Army Orders that the King with great regret has approved the disbandment of King Edward's Horse.

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QUESTION OF PILOTS' SALARIES.

London, March 31st.

Owing to grievances, and the régime instituted by a state-subsidised company amalgamating with separate air companies, which assumes control to-morrow, pilots and mechanics at Croydon aerodrome are virtually on strike, with the result that none of the regular long distance air services can run to-day.

London, April 1st.

The inaugural meeting of the new company entitled Imperial Airways, Ltd., last evening, Sir Eric Geddes presiding, denied that pilots were on strike and stated that the services had been temporarily suspended owing to the necessity of centralising the constituent system. The new company had not yet made any appointment. The directors had discussed pilots' salaries and decided to offer, in the interim, to those retained, plus flying time pay, an income of £750 to £850 per annum for approximately an average of a two hours' flying day.

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SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"TAISANG"	Sunday	27th Apr. 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"LEESANG"	Sunday	27th Apr. 10 a.m.
RANGOON via SWATOW	"EOPSANG"	Tuesday	29th Apr. 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Tuesday	29th Apr. 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW	"FOOSHING"	Wednesday	30th Apr. 7 a.m.
ANYUNG via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"WOSANG"	Wednesday	30th Apr. 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"WATSEING"	Sunday	2nd May 7 a.m.
KORE via MOJI	"NAMSANG"	Saturday	3rd May 7 a.m.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Saturday	3rd May 11 a.m.
TIENSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Saturday	3rd May 1 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Wednesday	7th May 3 p.m.
RANGOON via HOIHOW	"CHUNSANG"	Friday	16th May 10 a.m.
KORE via SHANGHAI & MOJI	"FOORSANG"	Tuesday	20th May 10 a.m.

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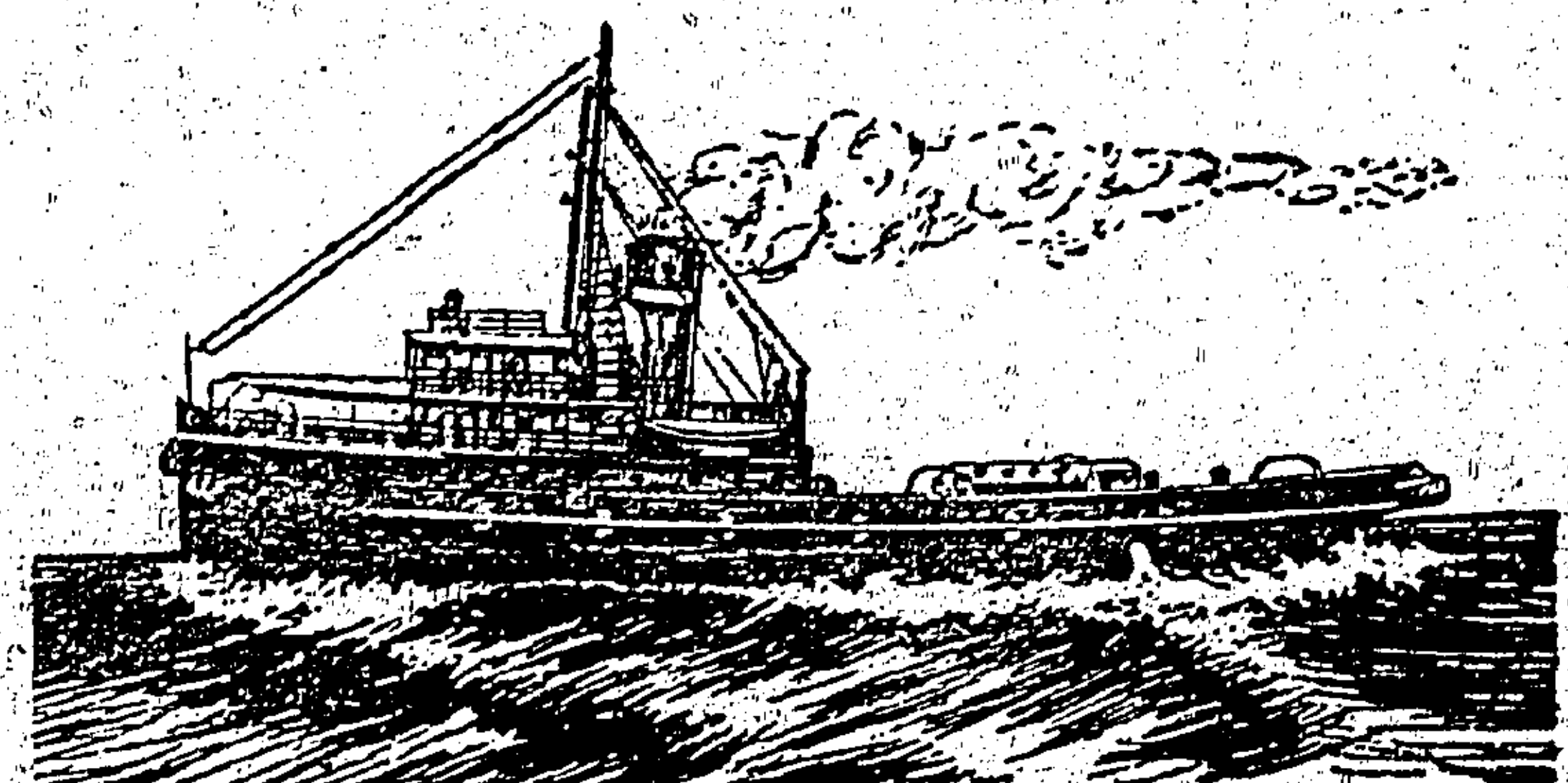
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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS

April 25th.
Cherbon Maru, Japanese ste., 2,011 tons, Capt. C. Hidaka, from Samsung and Baik piers, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 126. N.Y. Yusen Kaido.
Aman Kow, Portuguese ste., 200 tons, Capt. R. J. Nogueira, from Kwang Chow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 126. N.Y. Yusen Kaido.
Scapa Maru, Japanese ste., from Canton, lying at St. George's.
Spekberg, British ste., from Canton, lying at buoy No. 126.
Zai Sang, British ste., from Canton, lying at buoy No. 126.
April 25th.
Harbin Maru, British ste., 2,886 tons, Capt. J. Hogg, from Durban, lying at Taku Dock—Bodwell & Co.
Dun, Norwegian ste., 781 tons, Capt. R. Hannevig, from Kwang Chow, lying at St. George's.
Huang, British ste., 1,500 tons, Capt. A. J. Bell, from Sandakan, with a general cargo lying at Kowloon wharf—J. M. & Co.
Madison, British ste., 4,500 tons, Capt. A. E. Dodd, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 126. N.Y. Yusen Kaido.

CLEARANCES

April 25th.
Beaulieu, for Shanghai.
Ho Sang, for Shanghai.
Shinpu, for Kowloon.
Wabir, for Canton.
April 25th.
Anker, for Shanghai.
Amsterdam, for Singapore.
Huak Kien, for Saigon.
Kuan Kow, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Langham, for Peking.
Yatung, for Swatow.
Yung Maru, for the Hainan.
Madison, for Manila.
President Grant, for Manila.
Shaw Maru, for Canton.
Seng Maru, for Kowloon.
Sing Maru, for Kowloon.
Wabir, for Canton.
Yung Maru, for Hongkong.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The 5th shipper per S.S. *President McKinley*, which sailed from this port on March 21st at 5:30 p.m., arrived at New York on April 21st at 5:30 p.m., having been 20 calendar days and 18 hours in transit.
The *Dollar Steamship* liner *President McKinley*, which is due at this port at 8 a.m. on April 25th, sailed from Shanghai on April 25th, on schedule.
The *Admiral Oriental* liner *President Grant*, which sails from this port at 5 p.m. on April 25th, is due in Manila at 7 a.m. on April 27th. She is expected to arrive here at 7 a.m. on May 2nd, and will sail for Victoria and Seattle, via Shanghai and Japan, at 10 a.m. on May 4th.
The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* arrived at Kobe on Thursday April 24th at 7:30 p.m. She leaves Kobe on May 1st at noon and is due at Yokohama on May 2nd at 10 a.m.
The P. & O. Co.'s *Argo* left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst. at 11 a.m. and is due here on the 26th inst. at about 2 p.m.
The Reg. Line's *Beaulieu* from Antwerp and London, left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst. and may be expected to arrive here on the 26th inst.

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WEATHER REPORT

April 25th at 17:55.—Pressure has decreased slightly over N.E. Japan and from the Looe to N. India, and over the Philippines. It has decreased slightly from Chefoo to Shanghai. The Japanese depression is moving northward.

There may be a depression forming to the east of Luzon.
 Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, April 25th, 0.90 inch. Total since January 1st, 10.56 inches, against an average of 10.61 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, April 26th is as follows:—
 District Forecast
 Formosa Channel ... N.E. winds, moderate, cloudy, some rain.

Hongkong to Gap Rock ... do.
 South coast of China between Hongkong and Lameeks ... do.
 South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan ... do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.	On Date at 8 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.87	29.82	29.77	29.77
Temperature	80	80	81	81
Humidity	71	69	69	69
Wind Direction	W	Caln	NW	NW
Force	0	0	3	3
Weather	c	o	o	o
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highest temperature on 25th	80	80	80	80
Lowest temperature on 25th	68	68	68	68

CHURCH SERVICES

First Church (Kennedy Road)—Sunday Services, April 27th.
 Sunday School at 10 a.m.
 Morning Service at 11 a.m.
 Hymns: 25, 251, 253, 424.
 Men's Meeting at 8:30 p.m.
 Address by Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.
 Evening Service at 8 p.m.
 Hymns: 225, 144, 155, 544, 553.
 Preaching by Mr. Macdonald.
 J. Kirk Macdonald. [1580]

First Church—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.
 Macdonald Road, 10:30 a.m. (Lower School).
 Sunday School, 11:15 a.m. (Upper School).
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Hongkong, 21st April, 1924.

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FRIDAY, 26th Apr.
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 "CANADA" MARU

MONDAY, 29th Apr.
 BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.
 "ALPS" MARU
 "BORNEO" MARU

TUESDAY, 30th Apr.
 BANGKOK, SAIGON via SINGAPORE.
 "BUSHO" MARU

FRIDAY, 3rd May.
 CALCUTTA via Singapore & Rangoon.
 "INDO" MARU

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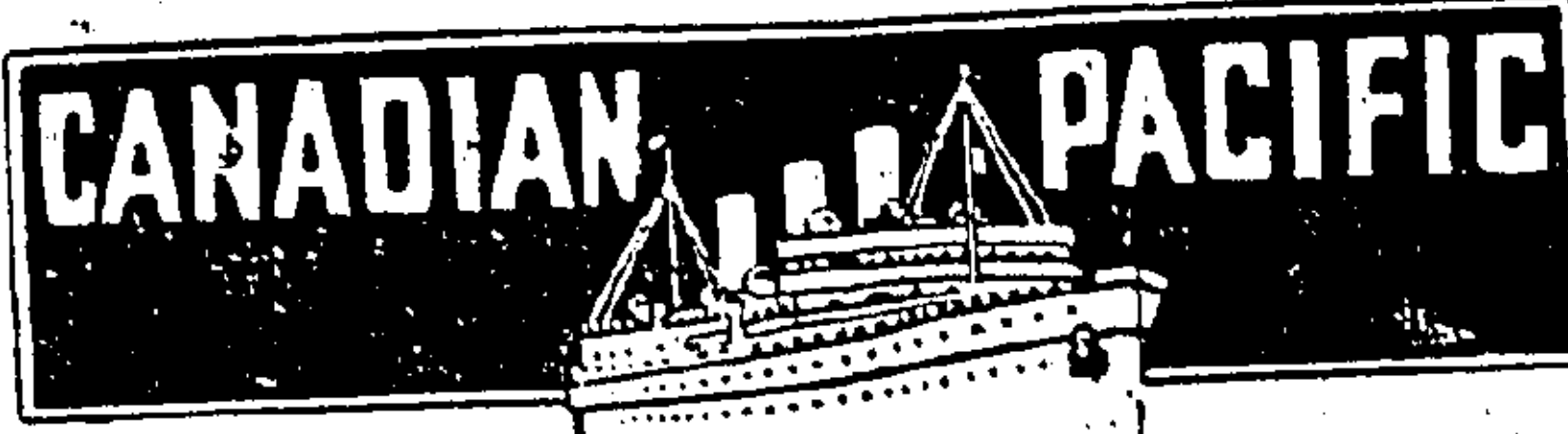
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 KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.
 "AMAKUSA" MARU
 "KAJO" MARU

SATURDAY, 14th May.
 TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
 "TAKAO" MARU
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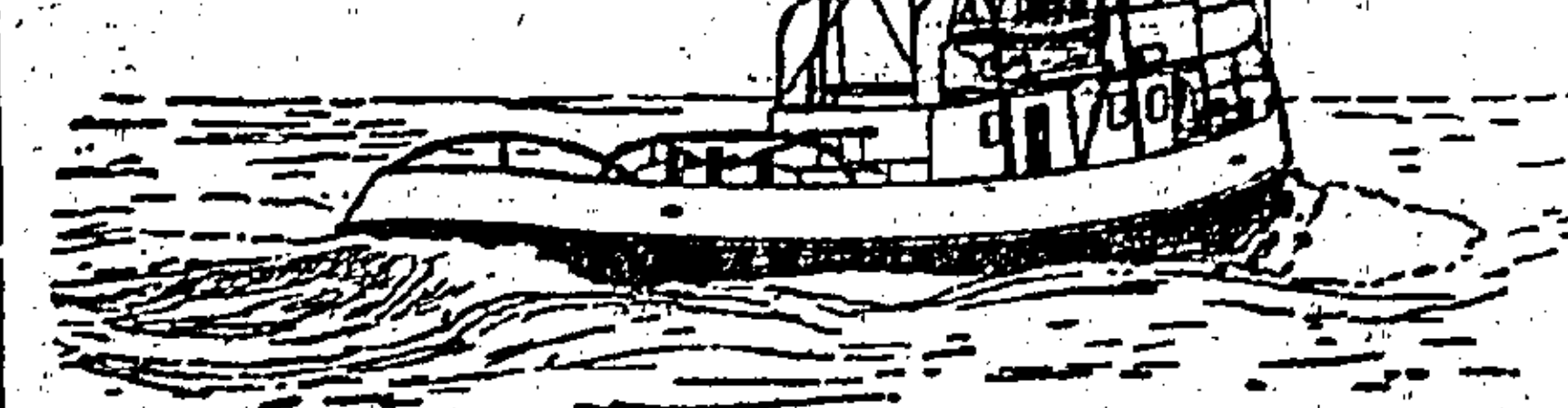
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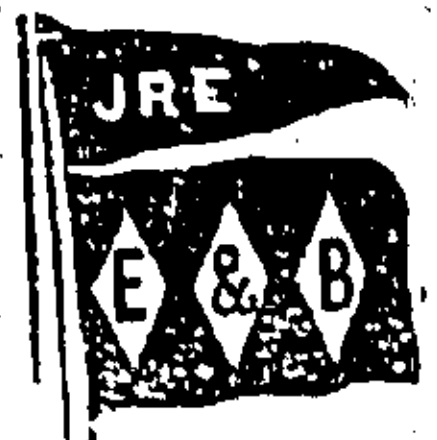
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"KEEMUN"	via Suez Canal	1st May	11th May	21st May	31st May
"CITY OF ORAN"	via Suez Canal	1st May	11th May	21st May	31st May
"OANSA"	via Suez Canal	1st May	11th May	21st May	31st May
"KASAMA"	via Suez Canal	1st May	11th May	21st May	31st May

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CHAMBER	10th Apr.	10th May	10th May
PAUL LUCAT	24th Apr.	24th May	24th May
ANDRE LEBON	24th Apr.	24th May	24th May
AMBOISE	24th Apr.	24th May	24th May
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"ALFAN"	9,118	3rd May, Noon	Marsellie, London & Antwerp.
"NIRZAPOR"	6,715	14th May	Spore, Colombo & B'way.
"PLASSY"	7,436	17th May	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	8,993	24th May	do.
"SICILIA"	8,813	25th May	Spore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"NAGPORE"	5,233	28th May	Spore, Colombo & B'way.
"KHIWA"	9,097	31st May	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	14th June	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"SOUDAN"	6,696	23rd June	Spore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MOREA"	10,811	28th June	Mars, L'don. & A'warp.
"KARMALA"	9,098	12th July	do.
"SICILIA"	8,813	2nd July	Spore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MALWA"	10,911	26th July	Mars, L'don. & Antwerp.
"DEVANHA"	8,092	30th Aug.	do.
"MANTUA"	10,902	33rd Aug.	do.
"KHYBER"	9,014	6th Sept.	do.
"KASHGAR-HIND"	11,433	20th Sept.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,993	4th Oct.	do.
"MOREA"	10,811	18th Oct.	do.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	1st Nov.	Mars, L'don. & A'warp.

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"WARINA"	3,120	26th April, Noon	Bangkok
"JAPAN"	6,052	27th April, 1 p.m.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TANDA"	6,955	2nd May	Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
"TARADA"	6,949	25th May	do.
"TORILLA"	5,305	13th June	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,590	30th Apr. 4 p.m.	Melita, Sandakan, Thursday
"EASTERN"	4,030	28th May	Island, Kowloon, Brisbane,
"KAPURA"	6,030	2nd July	Sydney & Melbourne

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"EASTERN"	4,030	3rd May	Moji & Kobe.
"TAKADA"	6,949	5th May	do.
"SICILIA"	8,813	14th May	Shanghai.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	18th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TORILLA"	5,305	24th May	Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	28th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,902	30th May	Moji & Kobe.
"AKAFURA"	8,091	7th June	Shanghai.
"SOUDAN"	6,696	11th June	Singapore, Moji & Kobe.
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"ARAFURA"	10,811	19th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	3rd Oct.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Oct.	Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,911	15th Oct.	Singapore, Moji & Kobe.
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AMOI, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SOOCHOW"	On 28th Apr. 4 p.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 28th Apr. 4 p.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KWEIYANG"	On 28th Apr. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"WUHU"	On 27th Apr. 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"KASHING"	On 27th Apr. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"HUPH"	On 28th Apr. 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW"	On 28th Apr. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHANGCHOW"	On 29th Apr. 10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 29th Apr. 4 p.m.
HOIHOW & PAKHOI	"TAMING"	On 29th Apr. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALANG"	On 29th Apr. 4 p.m.
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